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Corrosion Seal for Threaded

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<u>AMENDMENT</u>

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed June 3, 2003, applicants desire to amend as follows:

In the Claims:

Claims as Presented:

(Twice Amended) A connector for connecting together the free pin end and the 1. free box end of two tubular bodies comprising:

a non-upset pin having pin threads formed externally on an end of a first tubular body, said pin threads having a pin thread root extending along a frustoconical surface from a starting vanishing point on said first tubular body and terminating adjacent the free pin end, said pin threads further being formed on a tubular section of said first tubular body having an outside diameter no greater than an outside diameter of a major length of said first tubular body,

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